VERSIONS WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Specification:

The paragraph beginning at page 6, line 6, has been amended as follows:

A simple frame, sized to handle multiple sidewall diameters, fitted with mechanically retractable dowels centrally positioned to form the arbor holes and drive holes may be used as an assembly fixture for the package. Two sidewalls, prepared with appropriate apertures, including any required arbor or drive holes **12**, are sized to slip over the dowels. Sidewall **2** is positioned in the assembly fixture over the retractable dowels. A paper ring **6** of appropriate width and diameter is positioned and mechanically centered on the sidewall by position guides. A controlled amount of the specially formulated two part expandable polyurethane foam is injected into to the void **10** created by the outer (paper ring) and the center dowel. The second or top sidewall **4** is put in place as the foam begins to expand and fill the void, which becomes a closed compartment created by the positioning of the second sidewall or flange. The dowels form a continuous void through the reel as the foam sets. The continuous void is present in sidewalls and the core.

In the Claims:

Claims 3 through 21 of the prior application have been cancelled.

Claims 1 through 20 have been added as follows:

22. A method of producing a reel for packaging, comprising the steps of:

a. forming a first sidewall and a second sidewall;

b. placing a partition having a void therein of a generally circular cross section, adjacent to, and generally concentrically with, said first sidewall, wherein a perimeter of said first sidewall extends beyond an outside perimeter of said partition;

c. filling said void of said partition with a flowable material;

d. placing said second sidewall in a generally parallel and concentric relationship with said first sidewall and against said partition;

e. allowing said flowable material to cure, wherein said flowable material forms a solid core, and adheres to said first sidewall and said second sidewall, thereby connecting said first sidewall to said second sidewall.

23. A method of producing a reel for packaging as described in Claim 22, further comprising the step of forming at least one void in said solid core.

24. A method of producing a reel for packaging as described in Claim 22, further comprising the steps of placing a second partition within said outside perimeter of said partition, and filling a void that is present between said outside perimeter of said partition and an outside perimeter of said second partition with said flowable material.

25. A method of producing a reel for packaging as described in Claim 22, wherein said first sidewall is generally circular and is generally concentric with said partition, and wherein said outside perimeter of said partition is generally circular.

26. A method of producing a reel for packaging as described in Claim 23, wherein said first sidewall is generally circular and is generally concentric with said partition, and wherein said outside perimeter of said partition is generally circular.

27. A method of producing a reel for packaging as described in Claim 24, wherein said first sidewall is generally circular and is generally concentric with said partition, and wherein said outside perimeter of said partition is generally circular.

28. A method of producing a reel for packaging as described in Claim 22, wherein said partition is formed of paper.

29. A method of producing a reel for packaging as described in Claim 22, wherein said first sidewall is formed of paper.

30. A method of producing a reel for packaging as described in Claim 22, wherein said partition is formed of corrugated material.

31. A method of producing a reel for packaging as described in Claim 22, wherein said first sidewall is formed of corrugated material

32. The reel for packaging produced by the method of Claim 22.

33. The reel for packaging produced by the method of Claim 23.

34. The reel for packaging produced by the method of Claim 24.

35. The reel for packaging produced by the method of Claim 25.

36. The reel for packaging produced by the method of Claim 26.

37. The reel for packaging produced by the method of Claim 27.

38. The reel for packaging produced by the method of Claim 28.

39. The reel for packaging produced by the method of Claim 29.

40. The reel for packaging produced by the method of Claim 30.

41. The reel for packaging produced by the method of Claim 31.